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E.O. 11652: GDS TAGS: KO. UR

SUBJECT: SOVIET ATTENDANCE AT KOREAN NATIONAL DAY

1. AT KOREAN NATIONAL DAY OCTOBER 3 SOVIETS WERE REPRESENTED AT LEAST BY 2 MEMBERS OF THE MILITARY ATTACHE OFFICE IN CIVILIAN CLOTHING, CAPT.-ENGINEER VIATCHESLAV STOLBOUNOV, ASSISTANT MILITARY ATTACHE AND MAJOR VITALY KOZYREV, ASSISTANT AIR ATTACHE(BOTH AT THE END OF THE DIPLOMATIC LIST). THERE WERE PERHAPS LOW RANKING SOVIET CIVILIAN DIPLOMATS PRESENT, BUT IF SO, THEY WERE NOT THOSE USUALLY WORKING ON ASIA AND HENCE WE DID NOT IDENTIFY THEM. AS IN PREVIOUS YEARS KOREANS HAD INVITED BOTH DIPLOMATIC AND MILITARY PERSONNEL FROM BOTH THE PRC AND THE USSR. THIS YEAR THE CHINESE RETURNED THE INVITATIONS AS THEY HAD IN THE PAST, BUT THE SOVIETS SENT THESE LOWER-RANKING REPRE-SENTATIVES, WHEREAS THEY DID NOT ATTEND LAST YEAR'S RECEPTION. SOVIETS MINGLED FREELY AND WARMLY WITH THEIR "THIRD COUNTRY FRIENDS" AND EVEN CHATTED CONFIDENTIAL

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OCCASIONALLY WITH THE KOREAN MILITARY.

2. COMMENT: IT MAY BE OF SOME SIGNIFICANCE THAT SOVIETS ATTENDED THIS RECEPTION AT A TIME WHEN THE KOREAN PROBLEM IS BEFORE THE UN. WE PRESUME THE ATTENDANCE WAS BASED ON INSTRUCTIONS FROM MOSCOW AND SOVIETS' REPS MAY HAVE ATTENDED KOREAN RECEPTIONS ELSEWHERE.
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